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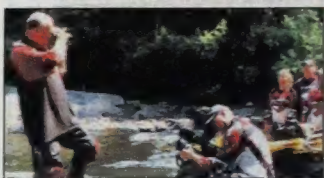
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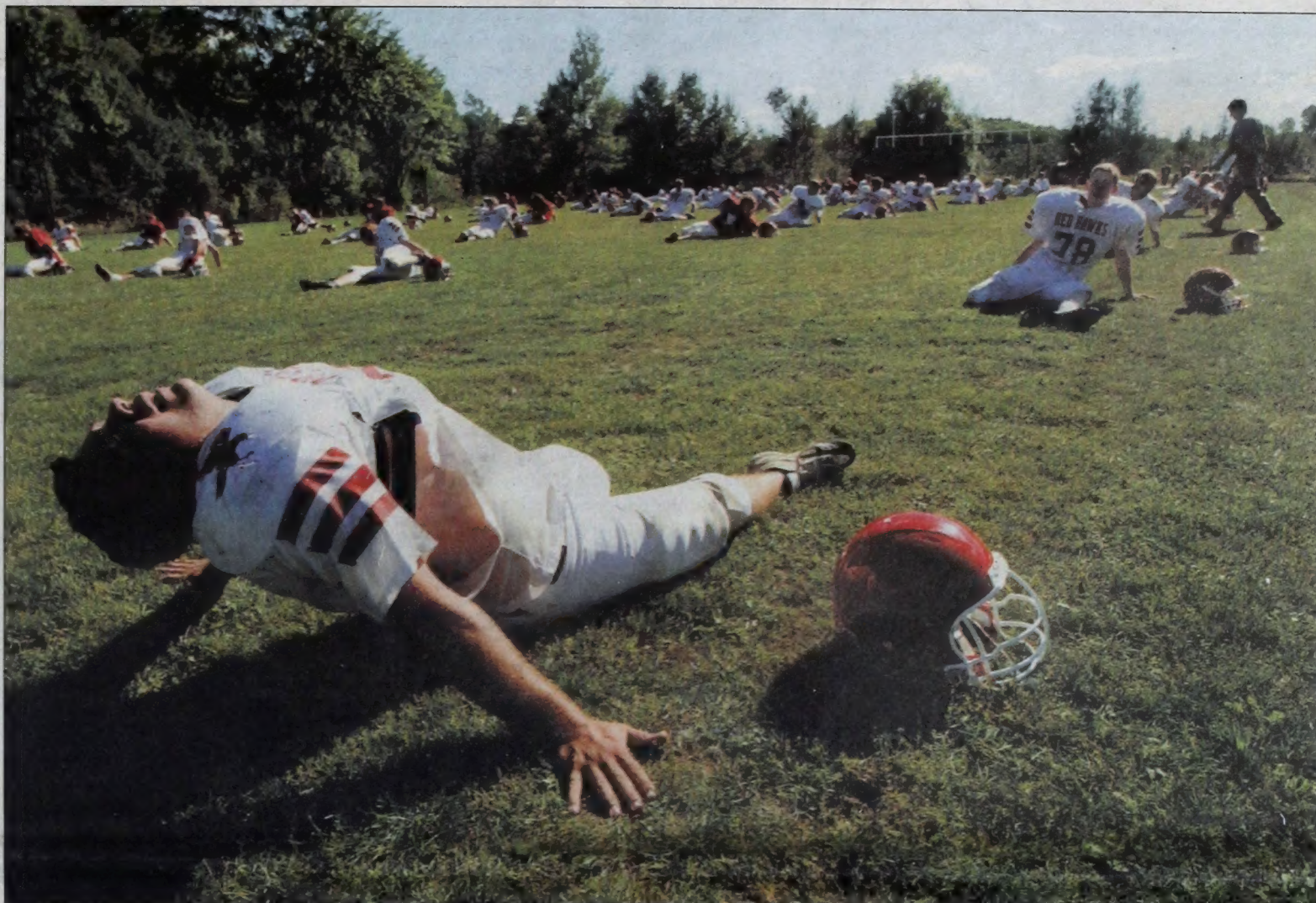
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Kevin Crofts leads the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School team in pre-season warmup drills at the Red Hawks' field in the first week of school. Story on page

Docks won't be left dry in proposed zoning bylaw

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

The laws of the land are soon to be set. The date is fast approaching and Minden Hills' draft zoning bylaw has taken one more step towards completion.

Rick Hunter of Planscape, the firm hired to create the new zoning bylaw, presented council with updates to the bylaws at the general council meeting on September 8. He was also there to receive direction from council on certain key issues that will appear in the draft presented to the public at the public meeting scheduled for Saturday, October 1 at 9:30 a.m. in council chambers.

Docks

One of the more hotly debated topics in the draft zoning bylaw has been the regulation of dock lengths. Previously, the draft zoning

bylaw would have allowed new docks on lakes to be built no longer than 10 metres. On rivers, the proposed length limit was six metres. Council would likely have passed variances in extenuating circumstances, such as shallow water entries, but prior to the September 8 meeting of council, no exceptions were written in the bylaw.

But variances were not good enough for councillors Ingram Wessell and Ron Buchanan. They felt that a 10 metre cap across the board was too restrictive and that the application for variances is not a guarantee that people will be able to create docks that suit their needs.

Councillor Buchanan wanted it worded in the bylaw that residents with shallow water entries would not have to resort to variance applications. He proposed including a qualifier into the bylaw that stipulated dock lengths

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Don't worry about webworms

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

What many have thought to be tent caterpillars are in fact fall webworms.

Bart Hilhorst, a forestry technician with the Ministry of Natural Resources, says that a lot of people have been confused about the two different species this fall.

"Webworms are quite visible this year," Hilhorst says, indicating a potential rise in the population. "It is natural for their numbers to go up and down."

Hilhorst also said that, in a webworm nest behind the Minden MNR building, he has noticed a parasite in the nest that seems to be feeding off the webworm eggs. This, too, is completely natural, he says.

While the nests may be more abundant this year than others, the fall webworm poses no threat to the trees in the area. Hilhorst says that the webworm mainly feeds on deciduous foliage that is dead or dying anyway at this time of year.

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Rules try to tone down light pollution on lakes

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be limited to 10 metres or until the end of the dock reaching one metre in water depth at low water levels.

Following a recommendation of Councillor Cheryl Murdoch, new docks built can be no longer than 15 metres or until the end of the dock reaches the one metre depth mark at low water levels.

These new restrictions will not affect existing docks.

Boathouses

Presently, the draft zoning bylaw says that new boathouses built after the bylaw is passed must be set back six metres from the shoreline and limited to one storey.

"Individually, they are very attractive," said Hunter about boathouses. "But when they project into the water, they can take away from the view of the natural shoreline."

There were no objections from council that this part of the bylaw remain as is for the next draft of the bylaw.

The boathouse issue has been a contentious one for the members of the Gull Lake Cottagers' Association, some of whom attended Hunter's presentation to council.

Gull Lake cottagers and anyone else who wishes to express their concerns about the new zoning bylaw may do so at the public meeting scheduled for October 1.

This new bylaw regulating boathouses will apply only to boathouses built after the acceptance of the zoning bylaw by council. Existing boathouses will not be affected by the bylaw.

Light pollution

Hunter has also included some regulations of exterior lights in the most recent draft. "The idea is to reduce the negative impact of lighting," he said.

The restrictions on exterior lighting, as they will appear in the draft presented to the public at the public meeting of October 1, are as follows. Light poles or other elevated light fixtures (such as a light on the side of a house) may not be mounted any higher than nine metres (approximately 30 feet). Also, all exterior lighting must be directed downwards to reduce the impact on any areas other than directly below.

For many ratepayers, this will come as no surprise, said Hunter. He said that many other municipalities have included similar bylaws since municipal amalgamations began in earnest in the mid-1990s.

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Mad about gas prices? Sign Devolin's petition

Local MP Barry Devolin has launched a petition to aid his fight for lower federal fuel taxes.

"I'm asking Canadians to collect 25 signatures and mail the completed petition back to me," said Devolin. "I will then present the petition in the House of Commons to show the Liberal government that Canadians want action now. Middle and low income families are hurting and they need help."

A Leger Marketing poll released September 6 said that 79 per cent of respondents would like to see fuel taxes reduced, said Devolin. "To add insult to injury, the one and a half cent tax to help eliminate the deficit is still in place despite the fact we have not had a federal deficit since 1997."

Devolin says a Conservative government would cap the GST once gas prices reach a certain level as well as end the current "tax on tax" situation where the federal government charges the GST on top of other federal and provincial taxes.

"The federal government should take decisive action – and quickly," Devolin says. "High fuel prices have an inflationary effect in that so much of what we eat, for example, is transported by truck. Eventually these costs will be passed along to consumers through higher food prices."

Copies of Devolin's fuel tax petition can be found on his website (www.barrydevolin.ca) or by calling his Lindsay constituency office at (705) 324-2400.

Lake levels drop to 48%

The Haliburton reservoirs continued to decline reaching 48.6 per cent for a loss of nearly four per cent over the seven previous days. Flows from the upper lakes were increased early during this week to restore the losses from some lower ones.

The flow going to the Kawarthas is lower than average for the time of year and the rain Wednesday night appears to be enough that no further increase in this reserve flow is needed.

The Kawartha Lakes stabilized this week very near the long-term mean for the time of year. The Otonabee River is still running near minimum to maintain the levels on the Kawartha Lakes.

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While others in her group failed to reach the summit, Hazel Regan achieved her goal of climbing Kilimanjaro by learning how to move slowly. Oxygen levels are so low,

you have to be aware of your breathing and not tire yourself out. With proper precautions, there is no real danger climbing the world's highest freestanding mountain.

Standing on the top of Kilimanjaro

After reaching one goal in Africa, Hazel Regan is ready to take on yet another

by **BRYN WEESE**
Times Staff

*"I'm sittin' on the top of Kilimanjaro,
I can see a new tomorrow."
- In My African Dream
By Juluka*

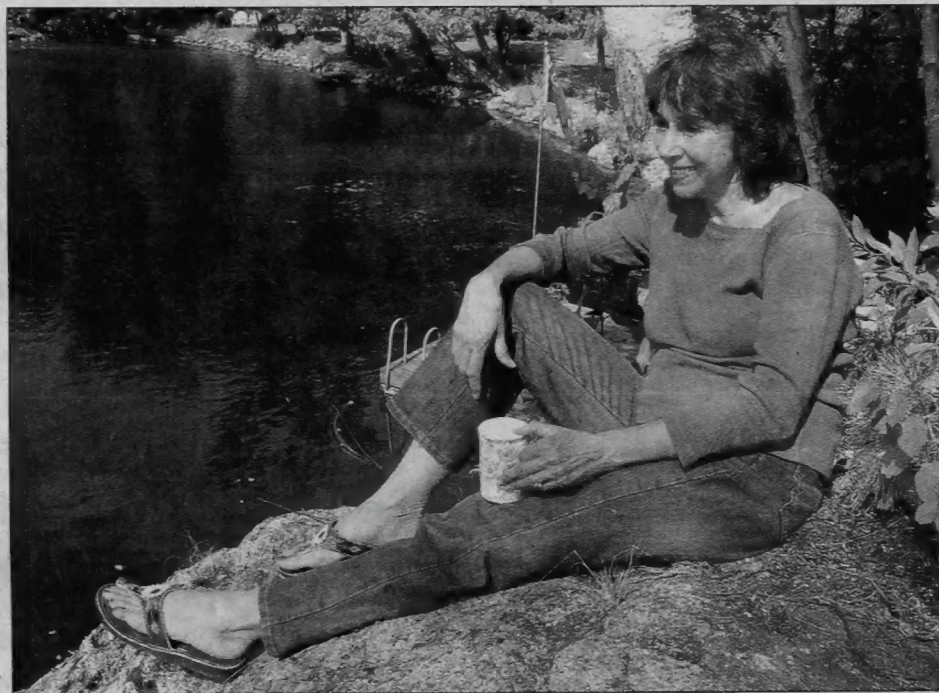
Twenty years ago, when Hazel Regan first heard those words, it set her on a course that would eventually lead her to the peak of the highest freestanding mountain in the world and the tallest peak in Africa.

"My goal was to climb Kilimanjaro before my sixtieth birthday," says Regan while relaxing at her Drag River cottage. "I was on the summit one year to the day before my sixtieth."

That must have been some 59th birthday. In a group of 10 hikers from all around the world with five guides leading the way, hiking for over six days with 50 per cent oxygen levels, Regan has accomplished what few ever have or will.

She had travelled to Africa for six weeks this past June and July. Following a safari journey of several days, Regan climbed to the top of Mount Kilimanjaro.

What's more, as the "oldest" member of the hiking team, Regan was one of eight members to successfully reach the top. Two fellow male hikers, both younger in age and physically fit, failed to reach the



Bryn Weese/TIMES

While Hazel Regan is an avid outdoor enthusiast, she is also a fan of relaxing on her special rock high above the Drag River near Minden.

summit. Over-zealousness is not a desirable trait on such climbs.

"My experience in climbing has taught me that you must do everything in slow motion," Regan says about coping with the lower oxygen levels. "I was always very aware of my breathing."

With proper precautions, Regan says there is no real danger climbing Kilimanjaro. Sore feet and a lot of hard work seem to be the sacrifice.

As the blistery -18° weather of a southern hemisphere winter descended upon the trekkers, they made camp just below the summit.

"The guides time your ascent so you reach the summit at first light," she says.

On the morning of Regan's birthday, as she stood on the rooftop of Africa 6,000 metres above ground, looking down

through the clouds to an African continent waking up to a new sun rising over the Indian Ocean, any reaction, no matter how emotional, is understandable.

The exhilaration of having hiked the highest non-technical climb in the world was a very moving experience for Regan.

"I burst into tears," she says of her emotional charge after reaching the summit. "I thought about all my family and my friends who supported me and cheered me on... Even though I was alone [without family or close friends on the trek], they were with me every step of the way."

Regan and the rest of her trekking group were quickly ushered down the mountain on the descent. Long exposure to low oxygen levels and cold temperatures become an issue for even experienced climbers, and once the summit is reached,

there is no reason to hang about.

"The descent is faster," Regan says, "but it's not easier."

Regan is in the process of losing her two big toe nails because of the pressure on the front of her feet during the descent. She freely admits she has lost toenails before recovering from other climbing expeditions.

Climbing Mount Kilimanjaro for Regan was a self-described perfect moment. One that will no doubt last forever in her memories.

But that was just one of two purposes of her trip to Africa. The other, although not quite so tall, was equally important.

Her name is Veronica and she is a young girl growing up in Ethiopia. Regan has been Veronica's sponsor parent for several years now, and through Regan's efforts (no more than the cost of a cup of coffee a day, she says), Veronica will soon be going to a good boarding school full-time to eventually study medicine and become a doctor.

"It was a very humbling experience," Regan says of meeting her sponsor child and family. "These people had nothing, but they shared everything."

"We are all humans just trying to live the best we can," she adds. "We're so blessed here in Canada."

It is this blessing that Regan hopes to share with the people of Africa, specifically Kenya, in a few years.

Once an elementary school teacher, Regan is planning to return to Africa to share her talents and her gifts with people who need them. With Kilimanjaro out of the way, Regan hopes to return within a few years to teach.

"I think one is a better person for going to Africa," she says while glancing out the window of her cottage. "I left a big part of my heart and soul there and that is why I have to go back."

You don't have to leave town to go on wine tour

Gallery fundraiser features Niagara wines

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

The Niagara wine region of Southern Ontario has, over the last several years, put itself on the wine map of the world, competing with the likes of Australia, New Zealand, Chile and even western mainland Europe.

The Agnes Jamieson Gallery, between 7 and 9 p.m. on September 22, will have a wide variety of some of Niagara's finest on hand for tasting.

"With the price of gas these days," says gallery curator and event organizer Laurie Carmount, "it is not as easy to travel to Niagara."

That is one of the reasons she has started the Northern Wine Tour. Another big reason is to raise funds for the gallery's programming for the rest of the year.

The evening is not just about wine. Not only does it offer patrons the chance to taste some really fine wines, says Carmount, it also allows them to learn how to taste.

Representatives from at least two featured wineries in Niagara will be on hand during the event to answer questions budding connoisseurs may have or to show amateur tasters the dos and don'ts of tasting technique.

"It will be a good educational opportunity," says Carmount. "It's always nice to know what to look for in a wine."

A brief list of some of the participating wineries are: Angel's Gate, Legend Estates, Inniskillin, Pelee Island, Jackson Triggs, Peninsula Ridge, Henry of Pelham, Willow Estates, Fielding Winery and Pallantin Hills Estates. Representatives from the latter two will be present at the gallery for discussion and tasting tips.

Of course, a northern wine tour in Haliburton County would not be complete without the presence of Moon Shadows wine from Haliburton's Maple Moon. It is also being offered during the wine soiree.

The timing of the northern wine tour is such that patrons can also enjoy a sneak peak at the gallery's Members' Show while they sip their syrah and mingle with their merlots.

The new show, running from September 21 until October 29, will offer a multitude of media from a wide variety of artists.

Also, the Northern Wine Tour also purposefully coincides with the approaching autumn Studio Tour. Those in attendance will have a chance to see what's on offer for this year's tour and can start to plan their agendas. The tour will be held throughout Haliburton County on the weekends of October 1 and 2, and again the following weekend, Thanksgiving, October 8 and 9.

As well as wine, hors d'oeuvres and water will be offered.

Those interested in attending the Northern Wine Tour at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery are asked to register with the gallery at 286-3763. Prices are \$30 for couples and \$20 for individuals. Gallery members receive \$2 off.



Bryn Weese/TIMES

Diane Graham, left, and Laurie Carmount are getting excited about the Northern Wine Tour. The wine-tasting soiree is to be held in the Agnes Jamieson Gallery on September 22 between 7 and 9 p.m.

Minden Hills must decide if it wants its own tourism centre

Haliburton County has asked Minden Hills if it intends to create and operate a tourist information centre exclusively for Minden Hills.

The county has agreed to give each municipality \$10,000 to operate its own tourism centre. Haliburton County will continue to promote the municipalities outside the county.

Reaction at last Thursday's Minden Hills council meeting was largely favourable. Discussions were held, however, about where a new tourist centre could be built and if there was any possibility of sharing the centre with the Chamber of Commerce.

CAO Gerry Morrison said that there is vacant office space in the municipal build-

ing. However, the centre would need to be open outside township office hours to be effective and useful to tourists.

Councillor Ingram Wessell was the first to note that the centre should be near or ideally on Highway 35 because of its heavy traffic flow. The township office, he said, is not easy enough to find.

"Rather than re-inventing the wheel,"

said Deputy Reeve Jim McMahon, "why not give the funding to the Chamber of Commerce and have them promote everyone?"

Another tentative option proposed at council was the OPP office. Soon, the OPP will have a new home and the building they currently occupy will be vacant.

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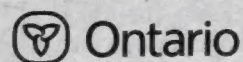
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It's time to make Minden library bigger, report says

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

Eleanor Malcomson, chair of the Minden Hills library committee, has presented council with the results from the county's Golden Report that pertain to the Minden library.

While the operation of the library is the responsibility of Haliburton County, the municipal governments are responsible for providing space for the library within which to operate.

Currently, the size of the Minden Hills Library is 800 square feet. The province recommends that a library for an area such as Minden be approximately 5,000 square feet.

"This branch is well used, though much too small," said consultant Helene Golden's assessment of the Minden Library. "It cannot hold the required collections and provides inadequate seating space, complicating public service."

Malcomson said that the county library board has suggested that all local councils increase the size of their respective libraries to offer better services and programming. For Minden Hills, as Councillor Clayton Cameron pointed out, that could be an expenditure of nearly \$1 million.

The Golden Report asks the four local councils develop financial plans to increase the size of their libraries by the year 2010.

The Minden Hills Library Committee has now asked council for a report on the options and directions for expanding library services by the summer of 2006.

Mountain Lake agrees with council's zoning objectives

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

Mountain Lake property owners approve of Minden Hills' draft zoning bylaw, delegates from the preliminary Mountain Lake Plan Steering Committee told council.

The process of drafting a Mountain Lake lake plan began in June of 2005, when more than 200 surveys were sent to property owners around the lake. The response, an impressive 129 surveys (more than 65 per cent), indicated to the committee, chaired by Ruth Benson, that most were in agreement with the proposals of the new zoning bylaw.

"In almost all areas, the owners support key parts of the new zoning bylaw," says a release from the lake planning committee.

Specifically, the survey indicated that most property owners agreed with council's proposal to only allow boathouses that were set back from the shoreline, or "dry" boathouses.

Likewise, 89 per cent of respondents agreed that dock lengths should be limited to 10 metres as the new zoning bylaw suggests.

In addition, 89 per cent of respondents agreed with the proposals regarding new development setbacks and minimum lot widths.

The proposed 30-metre shoreline setback was agreed to by 89 per cent of respondents. In addition, 77 per cent agreed with the proposed minimum lot width of 60 metres.

The lake plan survey also found that 53 per cent of respondents agreed with a mandatory riparian (or buffer) zone of natural vegetation at the shoreline. Also noted was that 27 per cent disagreed with a riparian zone of natural vegetation.

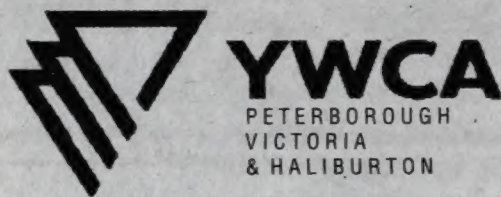
Currently, Minden Hills council is not suggesting a mandatory riparian zone in its draft zoning bylaw.

At the August meeting of Minden Hills council, the committee's Doug Gilpin and Ruth Benson presented their initial findings of their survey.

The purpose of their presentation was threefold: to inform council of the lake plan's progress, to tell council that their survey results indicated overall agreement with the proposed zoning bylaw and to ask council to take greater interest in their lake plan by appointing a member of council to the lake planning committee.

Other important findings in the lake plan's initial survey were that 30 per cent of respondents were permanent residents, with indications that this percentage will rise to 50 per cent in the near future. Also, and overwhelming 88 per cent of respondents said that they will never sell their lake properties.

With these findings in hand, the future lake plan will address the issues that respondents noted as their main priorities, notably: protection and enhancement of water quality, natural shorelines, fish and wildlife habitat, safer boating, and a reduction of extreme water level fluctuations.



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ATVs are proving themselves welcome

THIS COMING TUESDAY NIGHT at 8:30, Outdoor Life Network will be airing a show by Dirt Trax TV. It highlights a ride through the Highlands on ATVs. This spotlight on Haliburton complements an article in the current edition of *Car Guide*. The writer also took a tour through the Highlands on the back of an ATV and loved it – loved ATVing and loved the Highlands. This spotlight on the Highlands' beauty will benefit everyone in the county, giving us a much needed boost to our profile.

It's been more than a year since municipalities debated whether to allow ATVs on public roads. Although ATVers don't like riding on the road, sometimes it's necessary in order to go from trail to trail. At the time, there were lots of concerns about whether our roads were safe enough for ATVs and cars to be on at the same time. With no shoulders and lots of twists and turns, there's little room to maneuver to avoid accidents. At the same time there was a great debate at county council on when to allow ATVs on the rail trail. Some people didn't want them on the trail at all, feeling that motorized uses are incompatible with other pursuits such as walking, cycling and horseback riding.

Thanks largely to the efforts of the Haliburton ATV Association, most people's fears and anxieties have been for naught.

There aren't too many ATVs roaming the streets. In fact, this summer there seemed to be fewer than last summer even though the ATVers were probably more active. Accidents have been few. Complaints have been virtually non-existent.

The association has lived up to its promise to police both the trails and the members, spreading the message of proper trail etiquette. Riders have responded conscientiously and by many reports, when ATVers and other trail users meet, the atmosphere has been convivial. Certainly, walking along the rail trail and crossing paths with an ATV has proved to be of little concern to neither the walker nor the ATVer. Everyone seems to have listened to their kindergarten teacher's talk about sharing.

Sharing is the key to life in the Highlands. No one group has the right to say how the Highlands can be enjoyed. Each group must be accommodating of the others, recognizing that what is fun to them can be either deadly boring or excessively noisy to others (depending on which side of the motorized divide you stand on.)

In this the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network has played an outstanding leadership role. It has welcomed all types of trail users into its fold and doesn't judge between them. It sets guidelines for which trails can be shared and which trails are for exclusive use, but it works closely with all of its partners to make sure everyone gets a chance to explore the Highlands' beauty.

Work still needs to be done to make sure our trails remain safe. Parents in particular need to be vigilant in reminding adolescents and young teens that ATVs are not toys. In a battle between an ATV and a vehicle, the vehicle will win. Best to avoid the confrontation.

Martha Perkins



IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Seeding season

Photo by DARREN LUM/Times

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Why force doctors out of town?

To the Editor:

With regard to our doctor shortage I was under the impression we were trying to entice more doctors to our town. So why is it that the only two doctors we have are possibly being transferred out of town to the former Lutterworth Township office on Highway 35?

Since the basement of the arena was

good enough to house the township staff while renovations were being made to the existing office, what is the possibility of the doctors being established there?

There's lots of parking, it's within walking distance and would keep a lot of seniors off the highway in the winter, plus have room for more doctors to locate.

Betty C. Milford,
Minden

How to find good healthcare

This is Ross Jarvis's response to Wilf McOstrich's letter about attracting doctors to Minden in last week's Times.

Hey Wilf. Nice to hear from you once again. I never did get a chance to thank you for all the ads that you managed to sell through that bureaucratic grinder that

was Ontario Hydro. You were aces, and as it turns out, probably the best thing that ever came out of that organization.

Yes to all of your comments on doctors and small towns. It would be great if we could repatriate all of the citizens who

see MOVE page 7

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INOTHERWORDS

Columnls and Letters to the Editor

Toe trouble? Who ya going to call?

We Canadians take our health-care system for granted. We either complain about long waits and service charges or gripe about the high price of filling a prescription. But a recent news story coming out of Seattle serves to remind us of how lucky we really are.

There, a hospital billed a patient \$1,133 (US) to have a toenail clipped. Included in that price was a \$418 fee for miscellaneous hospital charges. And just in case you think it was an isolated incident, another patient in the same hospital was billed \$1,200 for a similar procedure. This time, his bill included a facilities charge of \$1,138. But that wasn't all. In fact, there were enough complaints of this nature to launch a class-action suit against the hospital.

Maybe I don't understand the complexities of the situation but it seems to me that these people are out of their minds. Who would pay that much to get their nails clipped? Especially when an enter-

prising and eager foreigner would do it for exactly half the price. That's right, I'm thinking of packing up my nail clipper and moving to Seattle. There's gold in them there feet.

Of course, making my fortune won't be easy. I'll have to work at a good clip. I'll also need courage, intestinal fortitude and an excessive supply of emery boards. Having a snazzy advertising jingle wouldn't hurt either. Here's what I've got so far:

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Steve Galea

known as the father of toe care. People will say, "There goes Galea; he made his money in toes."
But maybe I'm getting ahead of myself.

The truth is, I haven't worked out all the bugs yet. For instance, I'm still not sure if I should charge by the single toe or by the entire foot. I even gave some thought to offering group discounts if I clip more than one nail. And then there's the whole hangnail conundrum. Sure, it won't be easy.

The beauty of it is, this is a growth industry. And I aim to take a bite out of it.

Okay, so all of this is not nearly as important as tackling the big issues, as I do each and every week in this column. And my groupies - who happen to be the most elusive and shy groupies in the history of mankind (and this explains why I've never met one) - will certainly be disappointed when I pen my last words. But, lucky for them, I will have left a legacy of riveting columns such as this one.

As hard as this change of profession would be, I think it might be worth all the trouble in the long run. How else am I going to make a ten-digit income?

A beauty to rival Tuscany's

ON A SOGGY MORNING in the second week of September, the Gull River valley is all wrapped in mist and last night's rain still drips from the trees on Sapsucker Ridge.

The Brown Dog Jiggs takes a careful sip of a dog's version of Courvoisier, looks back at me, checks for predators, and then begins drinking in earnest.

For a dog, there is nothing like a fresh mud puddle in the morning and he will drain it, or fill himself trying.

The rain that finally came on Wednesday has taken the sag out of life on Sapsucker Ridge after too many weeks in the blast furnace of a summer not quite past, but relief has arrived too late to save us from an early autumn.

Only the day before, on a walk back into the fields to the south of us, The Brown Dog and I stopped to look south across the Deep Bay Road.

There on the other side of the Gull River, the forest climbing the hills to the south of us already was dappled with autumn colours.

On our side of the river, just down the hill, a fence-line red maple was wrapped in October crimson and the leaves on most of the paper birches were going, going, gone.

The old fields across Fleming Road, to

the north of Sapsucker Ridge, were a cacophony of fall colours - purple asters, yellow goldenrods, red windfalls from old apple trees, brown ferns, faded greens everywhere.

There is work to be done, too much work for too little time, May jobs still waiting to be done in September.

There is firewood still to be felled, bucked, split, hauled and piled, at least a dozen face cords; seasoned wood to be moved under cover; and myriad cleanings and adjustments and tinkering around the sugar shack and in the sugar bush.

Either I am running late or fall is doing an early dress rehearsal, or perhaps a little of both. This time, I think, it is the season that is out of synch, not me.

Seasons are a human concept woven around the tilt of the earth in the sun's rays and the division of our years into four seasons is the very model of arbitrariness.

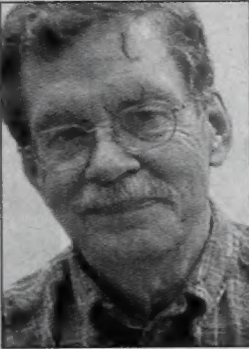
Only rarely could late August be mistaken for the sparkling days of July though both are part of theoretical summer. Early October has little in common with the sleet and cold rains of late

November, though both months are part of arbitrary autumn.

On Sapsucker Ridge, the time from mid-August to early October is surely a season all its own, with its own special light, a time of calm and waiting. The sky looks different.

Even in the worst of years, the August-September interlude on Sapsucker Ridge is the best time in the best place in the world. Take that, Tuscany!

But this interlude of 2005 is out of sorts, has been skittering ahead of itself, staggering and tripping over its own feet in the heat and dust of a drought that seems to have been going on for a year now. Wednesday's rain is far from enough to



BACKOFBEYOND

Neil Campbell

declare it over.

It is not just the approach of arbitrary autumn that is pulling the green out of birch leaves. With so little water in the ground, there has been nothing left for the trees but to cut their losses, shut down now and try to live through winter.

Except for a toad-strangling, dam-busting weekend deluge in June and a downpour in early August, it had hardly rained

at all in 2005 until this week. Months have gone by with barely an inch of rain in them.

Through the dry weeks of summer, we go to bed with the sound of gentle rain on our steel roof and get up to a world that looks as though we only dreamed of rain.

On those summer mornings, there were no puddles in the morning and not a drop for The Brown Dog Jiggs to drink on our long walks. On a dewy morning, he licks the moisture from blades of grass.

You could walk dryshod in a roadside ditch that has always had water in it, in the wetlands in the fields to the north of us, on a stretch of road that drowned ATVs in May.

In May, Jiggs tries for a gulp of a drink, running upstream with his muzzle immersed in a creek at the back of the Coltman farm, his head coming up like a surfacing submarine, great streams of water leaking out between his lips.

Before it rained on Wednesday, he could run up that same creek without even getting his paws muddy and one good rainfall isn't nearly enough to restore it.

Now we yearn for more rains like Wednesday's to get moisture back into the soil, and more days of bright sunshine so we can get the autumn's work finished.

Move to Minden and work with the best of the best

from page 6

took off and became doctors and never came back. In fact, every local doctor who ever considered coming back did, and I think he's still here.

As for having a constant circuit of interns working on our carbuncles, I'd say it beats having nobody working on them. I mean, right now if you show up in emergency with your carbuncle, and it happens to be just after a twenty-car pile up on Highway 35, or a Honda vs Harley

shootout in the local park, you will probably have to start moving down the pecking order to have anyone fix you up.

Let's see, I guess your best bet is to have a nurse help you after all, nurses do most of the work anyway. But with their workload, nurses are just as scarce as doctors.

So your next best medical bet is the local pharmacist, who won't go near it for mostly legal reasons. Anyway, why should they take a pay cut and go into

surgery? So that brings you to probably the most experienced medical person in the area, (in any area actually) and that's a local cab driver. When you consider how many babies are delivered by cab drivers, your carbuncle is a trifling matter. He can do that and read the racing form at the same time.

Kidding aside, the Minden Hospital is probably one of the best things to ever happen to this area. It really works. And the people are the best. Maybe that's

how we attract more doctors, Wilf. Let them know that they are working with the best in the business when they come here. Hey, we're ad guys. Maybe we can do a marketing plan and come up with a campaign to educate doctors. It would probably be the most challenging problem that either of us has ever faced. (Well, except for selling ads through Ontario Hydro.)

Ross Jarvis
Mountain Lake

Log chute restoration was a gift to everyone

The following letter was first sent to Carol Moffatt, co-ordinator of the Hawk Lake log chute restoration project.

Dear Carol:

Unfortunately I could not be present in Haliburton to attend the grand opening celebration of the Hawk Lake Log Chute Park. I regret this very much as I would have liked to be at the front of the very long line of people who owe you an immense debt of gratitude for all that you have done to see this wonderful project through to fruition.

I know that on one level this has been a labour of love, but on another it is a gift to all of us. It is also a reflection of your deep commitment to protecting our shared heritage and ensuring that our stories are remembered and passed along from generation to generation. I know that you will be crediting many others for their help — and I know that Tony Aymong will, as he should be, at the top of that list — but the inspiration was yours.

I applaud your effort and your determination, but especially I praise your wisdom. May all of us follow your example and work as hard to guarantee a future for our past.

John H. Wadland, Professor
Canadian Studies Program
Trent University



Love those baby blues

This extraordinary photo of four baby herons was taken this summer by Eleanor Bathe who lives near Gelert. This tree is on her family's property and is obviously a very popular nesting site. Not only was there this nest, but the tree also housed two others. One had eight chicks born, the other three. Can you imagine having all these mouths to feed? Our thanks to Eleanor, who has just graduated from a photography program, for sharing this photo with our readers.

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Twelve Mile Lake golf tournament a fine way to say goodbye to summer

by BOB WING
Special to The Times

On Saturday September 3, the annual Twelve Mile Lake/Little Boshkung Golf tournament was held at Beaverbrook Golf Club in Minden. As usual, the tournament was a big success with the great weather and some wonderful golf scores.

Everyone who participated went home with at least one prize. Thanks to the generous contributions of several businesses and individuals more than 40 prizes were handed out.

The major award winners were:
Ladies' Low Gross: Mary Samson
Men's Low Gross: Dave Stokes
Over 55 Ladies' Low Gross: Jean Toms
Over 55 Men's Low Gross: Bob Wing
Ladies' Low Net: Sue Pethick
Men's Low Net: Jeff Bowman
Longest Drive Ladies: Joan Stoner
Longest Drive Men: Andrew Crompton
Closest to the Pin Ladies: Mary Samson (Almost a hole-in-one)

Closest to the Pin Men: Dave Stokes

This year participants were asked to sue a prize to the table. Many thanks to Sue and Paul Pethick and Jean Toms for their help.

A grand prize draw was held with all golfers in the draw. The last name out of the box was Steve Wing who won golf for four at Bigwin Island Golf Club (ranked the number one course in Ontario by *Score Golf* magazine.)

All and all it was a great day.



Bryn Weese/TIMES

Calling all women hunters

April White of Toronto and Lynn Broccolo-Flynn of St. Catharines (with black hair) worked hard to learn the art of game calling from calling master Ray Thibadeau of Bancroft. During the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters' Women's Outdoor Weekend at the Kinark Outdoor Centre, 80 women participated in a variety of events. Shooting, archery, wilderness survival, rock climbing, canoeing and, of course, game calling were just a few of the activities on the agenda for the weekend-long event.

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High Triple HC: Chris Hill 702; Hazel Benetin 707

September 7

High Average: Ken Thompson 227;

Solveg Stout 202

High Single: Ken Thompson 306;

Solveg Stout 217

High Single HC: Robert Terro 296;

Solveg Stout 269

High Triple: Ken Thompson 682;

Solveg Stout 608

High Triple HC: Robert Terro 664;

Solveg Stout 760

September 8

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Size doesn't matter for junior football Red Hawks

by DARREN LUM
Times Staff

The junior Red Hawks perpetual rebuilding is a certainty upon which the coaches can always rely.

Coach Duncan Luciak said the football team is, as in past years, small but quick and the coaches expect to employ a 3 - 3 Dime package defense. Luciak said his first unit is ready for this active and mentally taxing set.

It's difficult in the early part of the season to assess a team's capability, he adds. The second unit on the depth chart is young and inexperienced but players will be learning as much as they can up to and during the season.

He says, "They have to ramp it up and learn the finer details."

The staff has encouraged the players to watch CFL, NFL and NCAA games when not on the field practising.

Luciak says the junior coaches always face the same challenges, losing players to the senior team. "We start from scratch

Darren Lum/TIMES



Junior football coach Dave Chambers is counting on an overall better group of players this year for success.

every year." There's a lot of off-time spent teaching the game. "That's our job," he says.

The team's staff never know what kind of players they will get but are always certain of two simple things: "The offense's commitment to the run and the commitment to stopping the run on defense," Luciak says.

Both coaches agree that the practices, up to this point in the pre-season, have been held at a "much crisper pace" than

last year.

Dave Chambers attributes it to the team being "stronger across the board. We're just as good if not better than last year."

Coaches Luciak and Chambers are high on first-year player Nathan Woodcock. The Grade 9 student is expected to take the offensive helm as quarterback due to his apparent calm in stressful situations in training camps. The coaches describe their new pivot as "steady".

They realize it will be mainly a learning

year but are confident this young player is capable of success. "He hasn't seemed rattled," Luciak says.

Recruited in February by the team, Dan Goodwin will be taking the majority of handoffs at running back. He's described as a "solid, upright runner".

Retired teacher and football coach Ed Hessel returns for the second year with the coaching staff. Former coaching staff member Bart Harvey has moved to Toronto.



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Last year's quarterback Jesse Johnson returns to the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's football program for his fifth year.

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Red Hawks seek flying offence

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

The senior Red Hawks football team is looking stronger with more players than ever before.

Offensive Coach Tim Davies, who will work primarily with the running backs and quarterbacks, believes the team is poised to improve on last year's Kawartha final loss.

As far as he is concerned the Red Hawks were the best team next to the Adam Scott Lions, the COSSA champions. The team's weaknesses were exposed when the Lions ended the Red Hawks' playoff drive in the Kawartha finals.

"It was a real eye-opener," he says. "We didn't have as good a team [as the Lions] ... This is another year."

Davies said this year, with so many first year seniors having made the jump from the junior team, the Red Hawks' field runs deep with athletic, smart players.

He can't remember when the team

didn't have to play players on both sides of the ball, defence and offence.

The new players' game knowledge and preparedness is a direct result of the efforts made by junior football coaches Dave Chambers and Duncan Luciak, Davies says.

The team's depth allows a frequent rotation of linemen, giving the team fresher players and an active line.

Another bonus, he says, is the return of fifth-year players Adam Trueman, centre, who may join the offence as a fullback, Deni Knezevic, tight end/defensive end, Kevin Crofts, running back, Matt Roberts, tailback, and Jesse Johnson, the team's pivot and offensive player of the year 04 - 05. Fifth-year senior Dan Manser, who didn't play last year, joins the team.

Johnson will get a few more looks down the field with a new offensive set expected.

Instead of the "twin fullbacks", the team will employ an "I" formation set, giving Johnson a tight end downfield.

The coaching staff said they expect to

have three eligible receivers on passing play situations. It's likely to open the field up and provide the potential to exploit mismatches in the opponents' secondary.

On the other side of the ball the team wants to have a 4 - 3 set (four linemen and three linebackers). This defensive package will demand that the outside linebackers help on the run but play tight, forcing turnovers on passing situations. The depth of the team is expected to facilitate this strategy.

Two major losses for the team this past off-season were fourth-year players Kieran Gilooly and Scott Lewis. Gilooly underwent knee surgery and Lewis had an infection.

"Both guys were significant contributors," Davies says. He adds they will be missed since their potential to make a greater contribution was never realized.

The coaching staff also includes Defensive Coach Derek Little and Quarterback and Linebacker Coach Gary Brohman.

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Haliburton's photogenic trails offer unlimited adventure, culminating in memorable ATV rides. On a rock in the middle of the river at Ritchie Falls, *All Terrain Vehicle* magazine's Kent Lester takes a photo while Dan Bailey, from *Dirt Trax TV* prepares

to film this part of the ride. Ashley Vincent, Bob Johnson, Mark Coles and Jeff Steenbakkers pose for both cameras. Younger and more exuberant members of the group, dove into the river to cool down when they arrived.

Television show focuses on HALIBURTON'S ATV TRAILS

by PAULINE JOHNSON
Special to The Times

TAKE PEOPLE OF ALL AGES, bounce them around, lead them through swampy terrain or rivers, make them duck reaching branches, expose them to blackflies and mosquitoes, and drive them deep into the woods along uninhabited trails away from their favourite restaurants so that they emerge covered in mud and grinning from ear to ear. What do you have? A group of ecstatic ATVers who say they had a great time in Haliburton and can hardly wait to come back.

Teens, adults of all ages and seniors alike have become enamoured of this sport so you're not just going to meet a bunch of renegades on the trail. Trail etiquette requires that ATVers slow down when approaching other trail users and if people stop to chat, as often happens, etiquette requires that ATVers remove their helmets when in conversation with others enjoying the outdoors.

Haliburton has become a prime destination for ATV aficionados. The Haliburton ATV Association (HATVA) has been growing steadily since its inception in 2003 and gained provincial prominence this year winning the Outstanding Trail Builders Award. Presented by MPP Jim Bradley to Bob Johnson, president of HATVA, at the Ontario Trail Builders conference in May, it was the start to a very productive season.

In June, HATVA hosted the Annual General Meeting for the Ontario Federation of All Terrain Vehicle clubs (OFATV) at the Delta Pinestone Resort.

Haliburton ATV Association was lauded as the jewel in the crown of the OFATV. Haliburton County's rugged terrain and scenic natural wilderness make the region ideal for ATV adventures. Haliburton also has a well-organized and progressive association of volunteers working to position the sport politically and economically in the community. John Teljeur, group sales manager of the Delta Pinestone Resort, said, "The success of the event demonstrated how passionate HATVA is about this sport and why it has the potential to further play a significant role in the tourism make-up of Haliburton County. In addition, the county offers a nice mix of services to comfortably host manufacturer product testing, media events, and product launches."

The third day of the AGM featured The President's Ride. More than 50 ATVers ventured forth in the early morning, some taking the easier trails and some taking those with challenging stretches. Mike Burke, past president of HATVA, said, "It was a great honour and lots of fun to host one of the biggest ATV events right here in Haliburton, and I think a lot of people will be coming back to visit the Highlands."

HATVA has 1,650 km of signed trails including the trails of chapter clubs in the Kawartha and Madawaska areas. The organization works diligently with the Ministry of Natural Resources, Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network and the local snowmobile club to improve Haliburton's trails. It has a trail map available for purchase and organizes regular club rides during the season from April 1 to November 30.

Trails are important economic and environmental resources that have to be sustained to assure the community's economic future and quality of life. HATVA promotes responsible ATV use on Crown land trails during the riding season. The association has insurance on all trails through the Ontario Federation of ATV Clubs. It also has several representatives on the OFATV Board of Directors and fully supports the one trail permit system for all OFATV trails in Ontario.

Dirt Trax TV's producer, John Massingberd, chose to feature Haliburton and HATVA on television this fall, having heard of the success of the association from Mark Lester, publisher of *All Terrain Vehicle Magazine*.

"HATVA is an excellent model of how a club should run," he says. "Because the sport is in its infancy, it's important to have good models. Bob Johnson, Mark Coles and their executive are doing a terrific job. What I like about what they have done is that they don't depend on government money."

He also favours the goals of OFATV which promotes one trail pass for the province, believing that one part of the province should not be favoured by the provincial government over any other.

As Massingberd pointed out, "The challenge of any ATV club is to keep the image of ATVers positive."

He is very aware that, to this end, HATVA works hard to promote responsible ATVer. Newspaper ads promoting trail etiquette are placed in local papers, organized rides demonstrate techniques and behaviour for beginning riders, a trail map indicates where ATVs may be safely

ridden and a pamphlet indicating trail etiquette and volunteer opportunities is available.

In addition, volunteers work booths at recreational vehicle trade show to answer questions for those interested in getting involved in the sport.

Massingberd says he hopes to purchase a cottage in the Highlands in the near future. A snowmobiler as well as an ATVer, he admires how HATVA has a vision, has set specific goals and is working in cooperation with the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association. "I'm impressed with how receptive the community is to ATVs and snowmobiles. Filming the group riding right into the town of Minden was great for the crew. From a tourist perspective, easy access to hotels, food and gas is an incentive to ride here."

What's the first thing a TV crew wants to do when starting off in the morning? Why go across to the Tim Hortons in Minden, of course.

After coffee, the riders traveled along the South Lake Trail to the Haliburton Rail Trail with a detour to ride across Drag River. Shots of ATVs crossing the stream portrayed one aspect of the sport loved by many. It's not always as rugged, however. There are many bridges which the ATV association helps to build and maintain. That's part of the volunteer work enjoyed by the members. Managed and maintained trails are a way of life in Haliburton.

The Haliburton Rail Trail is open to ATV riding from the first of June until the end of November. Volunteers warden the

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trail and often stop to chat with ATVers about the speed limit of 30 km. an hour, the need for an OFATV permit to ride the Rail Trail and the hours of operation, 10 a.m. until dusk. HATVA also has calcium spread on The Rail Trail in order to keep the dust down in consideration of other users and residents who live along the trail. The Dirt Trax TV crew finished off their day on the Rail Trail visiting Ritchie Falls where the youngest members of the expedition dove into the water and floated over the rocks with the rapids in order to cool down before heading back to South Lake for a barbecue.

The feature for Dirt Trax TV will air on September 20 at 8:30 p.m. on the Outdoor Life Network. The episode will include a test ride on the BPR Outlander 800 XT, a story on Canadian made high lift kits and axle replacements, a story on the Haliburton ATV Association, information on Tek Vests for ATVers, especially junior riders, as well as information on fine tuning your bars and controls.

This is one of several times this year that Haliburton County's ATV Association has been featured in the media. In June, a group from *Car Guide* magazine came to test drive different machines. HATVA directors took them over challenging terrain and through rivers, putting the machines to the test. Many got soaked but that seems to add to the allure of the adventure.

"Haliburton is a great spot for ATV tourism. It's a blessing for local landowners and authorities that, for the most part, riders know where they can and can't ride. Having managed trail use is a step in the right direction," says Mark Coles, founder of HATVA.

Eric Christensen of Buttermilk Falls Resort claims that his ATV guests say the trails surpass their expectations and are great, compared to the flat, boring trails where they come from.

"We have also been complimented on the signs on the trails," says Christensen, who is president of the Haliburton County Chamber of Commerce. The fact that guests can hit the hot tub and then sit around a campfire at night just adds to their pleasure.

Anita Maracle of The Firehouse Resort on Lake Kushog had enthusiastic feedback from a group of 25 American ATVers who stayed at the resort in May. She appreciated the support of HATVA whose members came to the resort to bring trail passes and maps and to ensure that the guests enjoyed their trip.

"We made a point of thanking the association for their professionalism in helping us do our job attracting the ATV market. As a result of the success of the trip, the group rebooked for next May and when they got home, another group of their friends booked for the following weekend," she said. "We provide power washers so everyone goes home with clean machines."

New developments for HATVA will include CSI and Search and Rescue courses. This will enable the local club to join the Ontario ATV Search and Rescue Federation, an organization started by the Hills Riders ATV Association in the Caledon area.

Coles says, "We would like to get to the point where we can dispatch resources in cooperation with local police departments. This is a good cause and some of our members have significant deep woods experience and a strong knowledge of central Ontario trails."

ATV associations in the province are not-for-profit groups of volunteers dedicated to the recreational and economic development of their communities. John Broderick, president of OFATV says, "Trail development is not a job for us; it's our passion and our legacy to our children for generations to come."

The word is out. ATVing in Haliburton is the quintessential outdoor experience. The county with the slogan "Where it's art" has also become where it's at for ATVing.

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Walter vanderWindt does his chainsaw dance as he cuts out a bear likely destined for someone's garden. He has opened a carving gallery on Hwy. 35 in Moore's Falls.

Chainsaw artist unlocks the puzzle within a log

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Special to The Times

IN THE EYES OF WALTER VANDERWINDT, a log is like a backwards puzzle. He does not know what the pieces look like until the blade of his chainsaw chews them apart, one by one, and what is left is a three-dimensional picture.

"Chainsaw carving really means you're dancing with a chainsaw, cutting creatively as fast as you can think. Your only focus is where to cut next. Not many artists risk life and limb to do their art," says vanderWindt.

He illustrated his analogy by standing in a pile of sawdust behind his new Carving Gallery on Highway 35 in Moore Falls. He looks like a dancer. Thin, heavily muscled, he moves and speaks with grace and subtlety, and as he sways around the stump, taking chunks out of it with a chainsaw, he does it to music. The headset that is supposed to protect his hearing blasts rock and roll vibrations through his eardrums to rev up his brain as he works.

It took him three years to get to this moment of having a gallery filled with the work of the wood carvers he most admires, a patch of cottage country ground beneath his feet and time to work, or rather play as he often thinks of it.

At 32 years old, vanderWindt is young to be a professional carver, young to be a gallery owner, and young to move to the Haliburton Highlands predominantly populated by retired or retiring seniors. He is, however, just old enough to know exactly what he wants and smart enough to do the necessary research, planning and work to make it happen.

The man is as interesting as the larger-than-life wooden moose in front of his gallery and as amusing as his quirky chainsaw-hewn bears and funny little giraffes. And he is a remarkably good storyteller, but it is not his story that he is apt to first tell you. The gallery is filled with finely-detailed, meticulously-crafted pieces, and each of these

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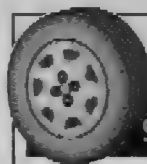
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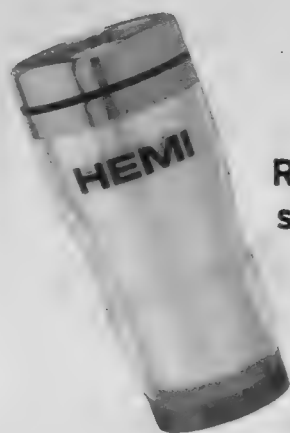
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Carving Gallery revives a dying art

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pieces are unique enough to make strong statements about the artist who carved them. The sculptures speak of the whimsical nature of the person who made them, but the real treat is listening to vanderWindt fill in the rest of the gaps in an artist's story.

For starters, vanderWindt is quick to point out that the best pieces in his gallery are not his and neither are the most expensive, although the cheapest are. He points to one mythically-based carving and explains that it belongs to Paul Frenette.

"He's a very practical guy, doesn't buy anything without a reason except this one. It's an Easter Island-like head that he put on his lawn. He would have an argument with his wife, then go out and talk to the head, so he nicknamed it Wilson. His son died, so he talked to Wilson.

"Wilson got stolen. That weekend he picked up a chainsaw for the first time and thought he saw Wilson while he was cutting into a walnut tree. So he wondered if he could make another Wilson. He started practising with potatoes, then wood and on his third attempt he was happy with his new Wilson. He's been carving ever since."

vanderWindt downplays his own story. He by no means considers himself to be a gifted artist. What he has is passion and a voracious appetite for learning. In Grade 6, he says he won an art award but he thinks he got it because they gave it to the student they liked rather than the most talented. In Grade 9, he took a business entrepreneurial class and he continued studying business. He got into international business through Delta and Best Western and travelled extensively, which led to him working in Vancouver and Vietnam.

A medical setback forced him to change his lifestyle

and for two years, he says, "I had to sit on my butt" so he took up carving. It resulted in a lot of bloody fingers but he discovered it was a good outlet and he enjoyed it.

"I used to teach accelerated learning. I think you can learn how to do anything. Life is a gift. Creativity is a skill. The papers are always talking about artists having a tremendous 'gift.' I'd like to change that paradigm," says vanderWindt.

He researched the market and tried a few different things including carving grapes and selling them in his hometown of St. Catharines and in Niagara's wine region. He says at his first show he made \$53. He sought out other carvers and discovered that woodcarving is a dying art and there are no formal apprenticeship programs for want-to-be carvers.

"I would go to wood carving associations and an obit would be read at every meeting," he recalled.

When his interest turned to chainsaw carving, he says the common belief is that you have to slog it out for a while and if you survive, then you might be able to find a teacher. He tracked down artists in Chicago and western Canada and learned what he could from them.

He discovered along the way that wood carving is mainly for the birds — bird carvers. There are massive international competitions for bird carving but little else to showcase this ancient art form. He decided to establish a wood carving gallery, and to his knowledge it was one of the only galleries of its kind in Canada.

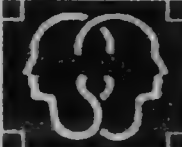
His gallery, on the corner of Highway 35 and Deep Bay Road, features artists from across the country with vastly different styles and approaches. Ron Pearce's work can take up to six months a piece and even the pores on the emotionally powerful faces he creates are carved. Bob DeVries carves "moose with attitude" with a chainsaw and vanderWindt puts on the finishing touches.



A line-up of wooden sculptures behind Walter vanderWindt is an example of the fun work to be found.

One of his favourite artists is Mike Saretsky from Saskatchewan. Saretsky started carving at age 11, and at age 16 decided to drop out of school to become a professional carver because he was making more money than his principal. To put this incredible feat into context, vanderWindt says that to his knowledge the only other professional carver in Saskatchewan is 80 years old.

"I tell stories about all of the artists because I like them all as people. They each have their own distinctive personality. I try to fit their work with customers. I'm not really a salesman, their work sells itself," says vanderWindt.



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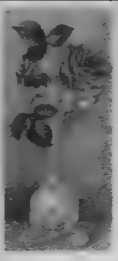
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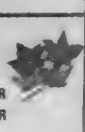
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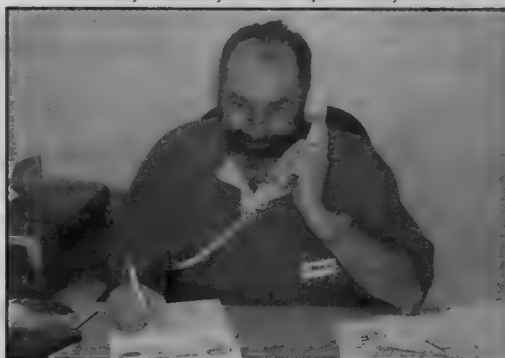
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Thursday, September 22, 2005
 at 9:00am

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Bigwin welcomes its newly restored engine

On Saturday, September 17 from noon until 4 p.m. the Bigwin Steamboat Museum is hosting an event to welcome back the restored steam engine. There will be a barbecue, live entertainment provided by Joe Alfano (great sax player!), activities for the kids and some artisans and crafters displaying their wares. The steam engine will be unveiled at 1 p.m.

The next Dorset Family Movie Night takes place at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Friday, September 16 beginning at 7 p.m. Admission is by donation. Free popcorn and treats such as pop, chips and chocolate will be available for purchase.

The Audrey Grant Bridge seminar takes

place in Baysville on Saturday, September 17. For details, contact Shirley Burton at 705-767-3616.

The Firefighter Games begin at 10 a.m. on Sunday, September 18 by the Dorset Firehall. Cheer on your favourite team. There will be an all day barbecue and events for kids. Sounds like great fun!

The next issue of the *Drainpipe* is coming soon. Groups who want to participate should get their info covering the period October 2005 to June 2006 in by Monday, September 19th. For more information, call Melissa at 705-766-9968.

There will be a Dorset Community Policing Meeting on Tuesday, September 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation

Centre. For more information, contact Marlene at 705-766-2409.

The next Foot Clinic takes place on Wednesday, September 21. For more information or to make an appointment, call Ebba at 705-766-2264.

There will be an outdoor Arts and Crafts Show at the Dorset Parkette on Saturday, September 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with lots of different artists showcasing their work. Items such as stained glass, jewellery and painting will be featured. A barbecue lunch will also be available. Call the Dorset Recreation Centre at 705-766-9968.

Don't miss the walk to the Dorset tower to raise funds for the Children's Wish Foundation on behalf of Canada Post.

John at the post office is gratefully accepting pledges, or if you wish, you can collect pledges and join the walk to take place on Sunday, October 2, meeting at the old Dorset School at 11 a.m. There will also be a fundraising barbecue at the tower.

The Thanksgiving Arts and Crafts show at the Dorset Recreation Centre happens on Saturday, October 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A great opportunity to start your Christmas shopping.

The Dorset Volunteer Fire Department Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Sunday, October 9 with two sittings, one at 4:30 p.m. and one at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available by calling Donna at 705-766-9253.



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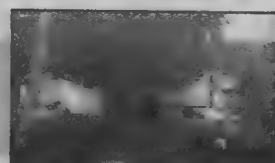
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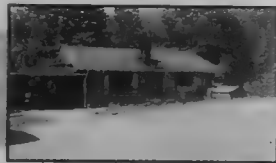
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Stanhope triathlon was born of a chance meeting

Carrie Martin and Lois Foster create one of county's premier sporting events

The Stanhope Triathlon provides a multitude of benefits to the Stanhope community. It was initiated by two ladies who decided to take their love of an active lifestyle and promote it in the Highlands.

Carrie Martin and Lois Foster first met on the May long weekend in 1997. Carrie

was running laps around the Stanhope Library while her two sons played in the Stanhope playground. Lois, who was pregnant at the time, came along with her son and their husky dog.

Always gregarious, Lois engaged Carrie in conversation. It quickly became apparent that both women were interested in motivating other people to become more active.

Carrie confided that she would love to have a triathlon at the cottage. It would be a perfect setting - pristine lakes for swimming, quiet, picturesque roads for cycling and beautiful wooded trails for running. From Mississauga, Carrie had been cottaging on Beech Lake and loving it since 1991.

Even though Lois had just met Carrie, she offered to help organize the triathlon. She had previously done triathlons while in university during her undergraduate studies in physical and health education. Drawing upon this experience and her roots in the community, Lois simply said, "Let's do it."

Carrie, however, needed time to think about it. A couple of weekends later, she decided to search out this stranger, whose

name she could not even remember, to tell her she was definitely interested

STANHOPE LIFE

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in the idea. Carrie set out on a run around Beech Lake to find Lois. When she spotted her, Carrie said, "I'm not sure if you remember me, but you offered to help organize a triathlon and I'd like to accept your offer of help."

The Stanhope Triathlon was born. Lois and Carrie organized and ran it for seven consecutive years, from 1997 to 2003. They worked with a team of wonderful volunteers from the area.

Doug Foster set up the course each year. Doug Martin took charge of timing and swim safety. Ruth MacBrien volunteered to make coffee on race morning and maintained "Race Central" in her home. Bob MacBrien and his radio guys from the Ham Radio Club in Minden



The triathlon includes a children's event to gain young converts to a health lifestyle.

oversaw route safety and communications.

The Stanhope volunteer firefighters set up the transition area, handled parking control and offered first aid. Ron and Toos Reid did timing and race organization. Jim Andrews, of Haliburton, was also a timekeeper for many years.

The Gammon and Bowser families of Beech Lake looked after sponsorships and volunteering. Marg and Jack Richardson were always ready to sweep the bike course corners. Peter and Margaret Brogden proved willing volunteers for whatever needed to be done and Sandy Robertson and family of Beech Lake are commended for putting up with their private space being so exposed to the public area where triathletes and their fans congregated.

Carrie and Lois are thankful for all the local residents and cottagers who helped over the years by giving half a day or more to create a family centered triathlon. Sincere appreciation goes to all the sponsors who donated prizes or race supplies. It could not have been done without them.

The number of triathletes grew steadily from around 50 in the first year to 150 in 2003.

However, in 2004, Carrie and Lois needed a break. For several reasons the two steadfast organizers chose not to participate that year. They tried to find others to take the reins and a few people considered, but no one accepted the challenge of being race director. The Stanhope Triathlon was put to bed for a year.

In 2005 the commitment to resurrect the triathlon came late, but by mid-July the brochures were mailed and Lois and Carrie were back in the throes of race day preparation and execution. Of course, their families were once again heavily involved and the triathlon came together, albeit with only 100 participants.

Some committed triathlon regulars expressed concern to Lois and Carrie about the future of the triathlon. They did

not want the race to die again and so a September meeting date was proposed. It will take place on Saturday, September 17 from 10 a.m. until noon in the Stanhope Library Basement.

All those who would like to ensure that the 2006 Stanhope Triathlon moves forward should attend or express their interest in helping by e-mail or phone. Contact Carrie Martin at 905-569-2119 or martinfolks@rogers.com and Lois Foster at 705-454-8682 or fstrxln@nexicom.net.

To date, the Stanhope Triathlon has donated \$2,400 to the Stanhope firefighters Fund. They used this money for special items such as ice rescue equipment.

Traditions become a part of the fabric of our lives. All too often they disappear because we assume someone else will carry the flame. There are three people signed up already.

Please volunteer if you can help them and provide any small amount of help, any special skill, any connections or knowledge. Let's make it happen for 2006.

The Haliburton/Stanhope Fall Colour Fly-In and Haliburton County Artist Studio Tour will take place on the weekend of October 1 and 2. A bus will depart from the airport both days at 11 a.m. for a three-to-four hour tour of the various galleries and studios in the area. This is traditionally the best weekend for fall colours. What a great way to finish the summer flying season! Brunch will be served from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. local time. Call John Packer at 705-754-2611. For more information visit the airport website at stanhopeairport.com or e-mail airport@halhinet.on.ca.

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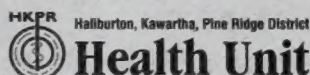
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THE HIGHLAND STORM MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION would like to thank the following businesses for the generous donations to our Storm Golf Day at Lakeside Golf Club in West Guilford: Lakeside Golf Club, Sir Sam's Ski Hill, Wintergreen, Boshkung Tree Removal, Bancroft Community Market-place, The Pump Shop, Moose FM, Rod Sisson Construction, Blair Sand & Gravel. Also thank you to Barbara Ballantyne for the painting and Judy McCracken for the stained glass and for the individual donations made by several golfers. Finally a high five to Jacob, Tanner and Curtis for running the registration table and Putt Putt game; you were a big help boys! CA

460 OBITUARIES

AT REST
DOROTHY ELIZABETH "Dottie" MUIRHEAD
Passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, September 11, 2005 after a courageous battle with cancer, at the age of 64.
Beloved wife of Robert "Bob" Muirhead of Minden. Dear sister of Kaileen, Tressa, and Sharon. Fondly remembered by her aunt Nan of Nova Scotia, by her cousins Helen of Lindsay, Alberta and New Brunswick and by the families, by her special friends Nancy Lee, Donna May Lee, Darlene Johnson, the residents at Hyland Crest, Minden, and predeceased by her very good friend Sheila. Family and friends are invited to a Memorial Service in the chapel at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 (1-888) 588-5777 on Sunday, September 18, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. Reception to follow in the family centre at the Funeral Home. Cremation has taken place. Dottie was a faithful and dedicated Volunteer at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home in Minden for almost 20 years and it was her wish that memorial donations be made to the Hyland Crest Resident's Council. CA

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AT REST
JOHN ALBERT CURRY
Passed away suddenly at the Haliburton Hospital on Thursday, September 8, 2005. In his 65th year.
Beloved husband of Sandra (nee Wilson). Dear father of Renée (Bill) Clarke, Shannon (Brad) Robinson, and Erin Moore. Loving Poppa of Shelby, Jordan, Haley, Sydney, Devin, McKenna, Braeden and Benjamin. Son of the late Bert and Aileen Curry. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main Street, Minden on Monday, September 12, 2005 from 1:00 p.m. until the time of the Memorial Service at 2:00 p.m. Cremation has taken place. Memorial donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Ladies Auxiliary or the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association would be appreciated by the family. CA

AT REST
JOHN "Jack" Wilkins-SWANTON
Passed away peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Tuesday, September 6, 2005 At the age of 77.
Beloved husband of the late Lorraine Theresa (nee Vincent) (1997). Dear father of Michael Swanton of France, Mary Lou Bales (Brian) of Kinmount, Vincent Swanton and his wife Shirley of Keswick, Steven Swanton of Toronto. Loving grandpa of Joshua, Sarah, Jazmine, Tamara, Jayda, and predeceased by his grandson Remy. Fondly remembered by John Bales and by the "Beer Gang" in Florida and Kinmount. In accordance with Jack's wishes, there will not be any visitation or funeral. Cremation has taken place. Memorial donations to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #441 Kinmount "Poppy Fund" would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0, (1-888) 588-5777. CA

AT REST
ROY N. THOMPSON
(formerly of Maple, Richmond Hill and a resident of Minden)
Passed away peacefully after a courageous battle with cancer at the Kingston General Hospital on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2005. At the age of 83.
Dear companion of Irene, and predeceased by Ruth Ellen Stewart. Dear father of Bob (Ruth), Susan (Dan), Stewart (Evelyn), Terry (Delores), Richard (Lynda), Kim (Neal), Warren (Wanda). Loving grandfather of many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Dear brother of Lloyd (Helen) and predeceased by 2 brothers and 3 sisters. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main Street, Minden (1-888) 588-5777 on Wednesday, September 14, 2005 from 12:00 noon until the time of the Memorial Service at 1:00 p.m. Cremation has taken place. Memorial donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family. CA

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- Sept. 17:** Coboconk Legion Horseshoe Tournament. 10 a.m. to register and pay. Blind Draw for partners, 11 a.m. prompt start, round robin format. Cash prizes. BBQ lunch. This tournament is in memory of Lorne Weaver.
- Sept. 18:** The 25th Annual Terry Fox Run will take place in Haliburton on Sunday, Sept. 18. Meet at the town dock 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon. Call Andy at 457-2100 for more information.
- Sept. 19:** Fleming College - Do you need more education for college or work? Academic upgrading, Fleming College opens Sept. 19. Choose from: Computer Awareness, Math, Communications and Success Strategies. Location: Highlands Community Learning Centre, Victoria St., Haliburton. Start any time. Classes are free. Transportation and Childcare subsidies available. For info call: Katherine at 457-4562.
- Sept. 19:** Caregiver Support Group - Hosted by: The Alzheimer Society of Peterborough & Area. Sept. 19, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Hyland Crest LTC Home, (Classroom). This is an informal, caring discussion group for family members and their loved ones diagnosed with Alzheimer Disease or a related Dementia. Our goal is to provide support, education and care. All are welcome. Please contact Sandi May, Support Services Coordinator at 748-5131 or 1-800-561-2588.
- Sept. 19:** The Haliburton Highlands Rugged Hookers would like you to join them at the Minden Legion, Hwy. 35, on Mon., Sept. 19. Learn the art of Traditional Rug Hooking. Instructions available. Come join us. Peggy 286-3387 or Lynn 457-4656.
- Sept. 20:** Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group monthly meeting. Held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge Highland Crest Senior Citizen's Home in Minden. For info. call Rick Ratcliff at 286-6699.
- Sept. 20:** Wheels to Meals, Dominion Hotel, 11:30 a.m. The Dominion Hotel, Minden puts on a great lunch. This space always fills up quickly. Call Myrtle Bouthorn at 754-1711 to book your spot.
- Sept. 21:** Friends of the Library is hosting the first in its fall series of Lunch and Learn sessions with Carol Moffatt who will speak on how to catalogue material. This topic will be of interest to many, especially not-for-profit groups who want to record the history of their development. Lunch at Win Yeung's Restaurant in Haliburton, 11:30 a.m. Carol will speak at 12:10 p.m. Those who only have an hour can slip in for the lunch special, payable at the door. To reserve, call Robert McIvor at 754-9747.
- Sept. 21, 26, 28 & Oct. 3, 5:** "How Can I Help?" Supporting People in Dying or Grieving - SIRCH Community Services & Consulting is offering a 5-part course for anyone interested in learning more about supporting someone who is facing a life-threatening illness or who is grieving. Topics include listening skills, attitudes & values, communicating with someone who is dying, understanding grief, impact on the family. Course dates above are 6 - 9 p.m. in Haliburton. To register, call Dorothy Owens at 457-1742, ext. 44. This course is a pre-requisite for SIRCH Hospice volunteer training to take place later this fall. Call for details.
- Sept. 22 to Oct. 13:** The Haliburton Weavers and Spinners Guild invite you to: The Tartan Show - featuring the Haliburton Highlands Tartan and memorabilia associated with it. This retrospective will be open to the public at The Pritchard House from Sept. 22 to Oct. 13. The Opening Tea will be held on Saturday, Sept. 24, at 1:30. Please join us and celebrate a little piece of Haliburton history.
- Sept. 23:** Wheels to Meals, South Algonquin Cookhouse, 12 noon. A monthly get together at this fabulous Harcourt restaurant. A great way to spend your lunch hour. Call Eileen Knox at 448-2596.
- Sept. 24:** Canada World Youth Community brunch at Wintergreen pancake barn in Haliburton on Sept. 24 at 10 a.m. Come learn more about Kenya, other regions of Canada and the exciting learning that happens on this international youth program. All are welcome. Brunch will be served at a reduced cost.
- Sept. 25:** Equality Forum - (Meetings every other month) at Minden United Church from 2-4 p.m. Guest speaker Roxanne Casey from Community Care Haliburton. Info 286-1470. No cost to attend and everyone welcome.

- October - The Haliburton Weavers and Spinners** are offering the opportunity to wave Christmas table rag runners during the month of October. No weaving experience is necessary. Call the Pritchard House at 286-3310 to book your time & get info. on the cost. A deposit is required in advance for this workshop.
- Euchre at Maple View has started** - Every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Maple View in Wilberforce, call Bessie 448-2828 for further details.
- Monmouth Seniors Group** starting Tuesday, Sept. 13 - Every Tues., starting at 11:30 at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce. New members welcome. Call Verna 448-2237 for further details.
- New this fall on Mondays at Haliburton Dance Arts** we are offering Parent/Tot Kindergym. This energetic program is designed for children 18 months to three years and their caregivers to help them learn and explore music and movement. For info & to register, please call the Ontario Early Years Centre, Haliburton at 457-2989.
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- Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums** meet every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the J.D. Hodgson School Gymnasium. Beginners and new tunes practice 7 to 8 p.m. Band practice 8 to 9 p.m. Instruments supplied (Beginning Sept. 6/05).

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.

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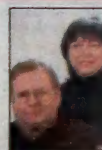
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ext. 248

ACCESS TO KASHAGAWIGAMOG

Great starter or retirement bungalow close to Haliburton Village w/deeded access to Lake Kashagawigamog; beautifully treed lot, fenced backyard; on mun. sewers; 3 bdrms (1 bdrm apt.); airtight woodstove; breezeway to rec room/garage. Call Elizabeth.

\$189,000



CENTURY FARMHOUSE

Quaint 5 bdrm home located on Hwy #118 across from Green Lk, a 3 lake chain. Great 4 acre retreat property. House has loads of character. Enjoy the breeze & lake view from the front porch swing. Upgrades in recent years. Lge loft area can be made into a studio or master suite. New drilled well in 2002. Reshingled in 1997. Call Elizabeth.

\$219,000



Vince Duchene**
457-1011
ext. 225

KOSHLONG LAKE

Over 600 feet of gorgeous Canadian Shield-type shoreline and sand beach on Koslong Lake with 11.9 acres of privacy included. Also features a fully renovated, modern open concept 1,882 square foot home/cottage with 3 bdrms, two baths (1 ensuite), sunken ILR, custom cherry kitchen and a self contained guest cabin!

\$539,900



Ted Vasey*
457-1011
ext. 223

REDSTONE LAKE

Totally modern waterfront home with 3570 sq ft of living space. Large open concept w/pine cathedral ceilings, stone FP, fabulous kitchen + island, hardwood floors, 4 bdrms, master bdrm ensuite, pine doors & trim throughout, finished lower level w/family room. 165' of sand shoreline, beautiful sunsets.

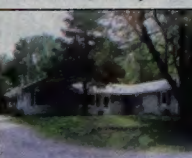
\$685,000



INGOLDSBY

Very well-maintained 1800 sq ft bungalow, modern oak kitchen w/island, w/o kitchen to rear deck, pine family room, new cedar, ceramic bathroom with Jacuzzi tub, 3 bdrms, new shingles, garage, close to Lake access.

ASKING \$189,000



Lenor Fulton*
Tracy Ackersblade*
286-2911
exts. 23 & 46

HORSESHOE LAKE

Parklike setting at Minden Whitewater Preserve. Immaculate 4 bdrm fully insulated Viceroy home/cottage w/155 ft of lakefront. Includes boat, motor & dock. Central heat & vacuum. Airtight stove in sunken living room. Double size garage/workshop. Please call Tracy or Lenor.

\$379,900



VACANT BUILDING LONG GULL RIVER

Very close to shopping & skiing on Eagle Lake. This property has a rocky shoreline and offers good swimming & excellent fishing. This beautifully treed lot is partially cleared, easily accessible by car. Call Tracy or Lenor.

\$42,500



Melanie Vigra**
286-2911
ext. 40

CARNARVON

Charming 2 bdrm + den home on a level lot within walking distance of all amenities. Large barn w/loft. Features include: Jacuzzi tub, skylight, propane fireplace & private deck. Call Melanie for more details.

\$119,000



NEED MORE SPACE?

With a fully finished basement. This 3 bdrm, 2 bath home, set on 2 acres, provides different zones for different generations & extra rooms for hobby, office or bdrms. Features include: hardwood floors, dining area w/bay window, skylights, c/vac, c/air & large detached garage. Call Melanie for more details.

\$219,000



Julie Gray*
Marilyn Hawley*
457-1011
exts. 230 & 237

PRIVACY ON REDSTONE LAKE

Over 33 acres of privacy with architectural designed log home retreat set in quiet cove w/sounds of water rushing over the falls. Property features a Great Room w/soaring 2-story radiant heat FP, oak, pine & ceramic flooring, Hollywood kitchen w/Jenair stove top, custom pine cabinetry with ceramic countertop & over 2000 sq ft of 360 degree covered docking w/boat lights.

\$795,000



CANNING LAKE

3 year new, 1500 sq ft totally winterized chalet cottage on beautiful, private, well treed lot w/southern exp. 148' of clean shoreline w/sand beach area & deep water off dock. Cottage has slate floor entrance, 2 bdrm on main floor & lrg bdrm in loft. Full w/o bsmt ready to finish. Airtight stove, oil heat & new septic. Cute bunkie, & stone fire pit. A pleasure to show.

\$529,000



Lynda Litwin*
286-2911

Create Your Dream Home!!

on the water... beside the waterfall **\$69,000.**
on the ski hill... Great views **\$22,000 - \$52,500.**
in Haliburton... Halbiem Subdivision **\$69,900.**
near a pond... and stream **\$39,000.**



Linda Beachli***
457-1011
ext. 227

MARINA

Successful operating marina specializing in storage & repairs in Haliburton Village. Training provided to the new owners. Building sold separately.

\$325,000



LOON LAKE

This property has 38 acres of privacy w/a 4 bdrm home, screened-in porch w/hot tub, open access to the lrg deck in the backyard. The finishing in this home is custom work w/custom oak kitchen cabinets. The finished FR & pool table room offers lots of space. Fuel efficient heating offers very low maintenance cost. A must see!

\$299,900



Peter Brady**
457-1011
ext. 234

BRING YOUR BUSINESS HERE

Prime commercial corner with bldgs suitable for many uses. Presently a timber home construction business w/bldgs. On highway 35.

\$695,000



TEDIOUS LAKE

Enjoy this home year round. 800 ft of waterfront and 77.8 ac of land to explore.

\$199,900

